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The Good Clothes Store

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Trimble spent a few days the first of the week in Kansas City visiting relatives and taking in the sights.

Tom Cannon and Andy Doll, two prominent farmers of the Maysburg neighborhood were county seat visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. Elmer Fuller, of Spokane, Washington, will arrive in Butler today for an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Holloway and brother, H. H. Holloway and family.

Monday morning when the folks in Butler and vicinity woke up and looked out of the windows they found that the ground was covered by about three or four inches of snow that had fallen during the night. Since that time the temperature has been hovering just above the zero mark and the snow is staying with us. Mound Branch is frozen over with good smooth ice and the young folks are having a lot of fun skating.

Judge and Mrs. A. B. Owen returned Monday from Kansas City where they had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Davis. They spent Sunday at the McCune home for incorrigible boys as the guest of the superintendent, J. M. Taylor, who was at one time principal of the Butler public schools. Of course they took in "Hip Hip, Hooray," at Convention Hall and like others from Butler that saw it pronounce it the best ever.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. C. C. Woods on West Ohio street on Friday, January 19, at 3 o'clock p. m. Hoffman memorial day will be observed.

T. M. Thorp, formerly of the general delivery department of the Kansas City postoffice, who was transferred to route six out of the Butler office, has rented the residence on Ohio street formerly occupied by Glenn Haggard.

The Times good friend R. L. McKown, of Milliken, Colorado, writes us that he is doing well in that country and that it looks as though crops would be good this year as snow, which is a requisite for good crops in that country, was plentiful this winter.

The Sunshine Band, the young ladies class of the Ohio street M. E. Church, have been working hard for the last week rehearsing a play, "That Girl," which they will produce at the church Thursday night. Miss Francis Catron is the coach, and that insures the success of the entertainment.

You read and enjoyed E. Phillips Oppenheim's excellent story, "Under Suspicion" when it ran in the Saturday Evening Post some time ago. It has been dramatized and you can see it at the Electric Theatre next Monday afternoon and night. It is a Red Feather which insures it being a good show. It is a detective story, full of life and action from first to last.

Wendell Atkeson left the last of the week for Columbia, where he will attend school.

Mrs. Fanny Popalisky, of Buffalo, New York, is a guest at the home of her brother, A. C. Moreland.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Coberly will leave the last of the week for Kansas City on a business and pleasure trip.

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J. A. Cobb returned Monday from an extended trip through New Mexico and Colorado. Mr. Cobb reports times as being good in the west.

Rev. Barkley Meador, traveling representative of Christian Evangelist, of St. Louis, spent Sunday and Monday in this city in the interest of his paper.

A large number of Butler folks went up to Kansas City last week to attend "Hip, Hip Hooray," at the Convention Hall, and they all report that it is the greatest ever.

Chas. Hall, a skilled chauffeur from Kansas City, has been employed by Harley Smith to run the motor bus between the depot and the Fraternal Inn. Mr. Smith will devote all of his time to the hotel.

Relatives in this city received a telegram Monday announcing the serious illness of Mrs. George Logan, at her home at Cairo, Illinois. Mrs. M. C. Arnold, her mother, and W. S. Arnold, her brother, left Monday night for Cairo. Mrs. Logan will be remembered by her Butler friends as Miss Maggie Arnold.

Elmer Hawkins, colored, was tried before a jury in Squire Catron's court Monday charged with stealing a mule hide. About two weeks ago a yearling mule belonging to John Wix fell in a well on the Lane place, southwest of town and was drowned. Mr. Wix hauled the mule from the well and the next day went out to remove the hide, but found that some one had beaten him to it, and Hawkins was suspected and arrested but succeeded in convincing the jury that he was innocent, so they turned him loose. Silvers & Silvers represented Hawkins and Prosecuting Attorney Dawson the state.

From Mr. Ernest Lihn of the firm of Peterson & Lihn of near Amsterdam we learn of the wonderful record by a Holstein cow, legis Fayne Johanna, owned by Oliver Cabana, Jr., Elma Center, N. Y., is the first cow in the world to make 50 pounds of butter in a week. She calved in December, 1916, at 8 years, 2 months, 17 days and gave in 7 consecutive days 730.8 pounds of milk containing fat to make 50.68 pounds 80 per cent butter. She was fed 30 pounds grain, 40 pounds silage, 100 pounds beets, 32 pounds beet pulp and 12 pounds alfalfa hay every 24 hours. It takes feed and breeding to make butter and milk.

Roy Long left the last of the week for eastern Oklahoma on a business trip.

Mrs. Mary Atherton and daughter, Jessie, have returned from a six weeks visit to Miami, Okla.

240 acre farm for rent for cash. Mrs. Dora Harshaw, Butler, Mo.

Coleman Wood left Saturday for Casper, Wyoming, where he has a good position with the Standard Oil Company.

Mayor Heinlein, of the Bennett-Wheeler Mercantile Company, is attending the Implement Men's Convention in Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Stansbury and son, David, of Okmulgee, Oklahoma, arrived in this city last week on a visit to relatives.

E. D. Young came in Saturday night from La Plata, where he is engaged in the clothing business, to spend a few days with home folks.

I will give \$2.50 per bushel for timothy seed, mixed with Red Top or clover.

E. E. Laughlin, Foster, Mo.

Bruce Steele, of Lamar, Colorado, was called to this city the last of the week by the serious illness of his father, Judge F. M. Steele.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Radford, who have been visiting relatives near Spruce, returned to their home at Loveland, Colorado, the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Nuel Mills, who has been spending the last week or two in this city with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Arnold, returned to her home in Kansas City Sunday.

Dan Thomas, of St. Louis, was called to this city Tuesday morning by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Sarah Thomas, who is suffering from an attack of pneumonia. On the account of her advanced age there is but little hope for her recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Davis, and daughter, Miss Irene, motored down from Independence Thursday of last week and spent the day visiting friends, returning home Friday. Judge and Mrs. A. B. Owen accompanied them home for a few days visit.

Sunday while attending a meeting of the Loyal Sons Bible class, Fleetwood Thomas was stricken with an attack of heart failure. He was taken to his home on South Main street, where Dr. R. E. Crabtree soon pronounced him out of immediate danger.

Mrs. Fred Novotney, who has been visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Englehardt, in the west part of the county, was called to her home near Pratt, Kansas, last week by the news of the serious illness of her sister-in-law.

A. W. WeMott and Claude Major, the enterprising harness men, went to Kansas City Tuesday to take in the big implement and harness makers show at Convention Hall. If there is anything new in the harness line WeMott & Major want to know about it.

R. W. Lowrey, of Lincoln, Nebraska, was called to this city by the serious illness of his aunt, Mrs. S. M. Lowrey, who is very ill with pneumonia at her home in the north part of this city. Mr. Lowrey was at one time a citizen of this county, being a son of Joseph B. Lowrey, of Foster.

Dr. M. I. Hurley, who has been doing work in Bates and Cass counties for the Agricultural Extension of the Agricultural College, was in the city Tuesday and in talking over the hog cholera situation said that he had been all over Bates county and did not find a single case of cholera.

Radford and Thomas, the horse buyers, will leave Thursday for Toronto, Kansas, where they will spend several days buying horses on a big war contract. Both members of this firm have been in the horse business for many years and they know a good horse when they see it, and they pay the top prices.

Clay Mauck, an enterprising young farmer of Hudson township was in the city one day the first of the week and dropped in to The Times office and ordered the paper sent to his father, Julius Mauck. The Maucks are straight republicans and mighty fine men, but they wanted all the news, so of course they subscribed for The Times.

Mrs. J. A. Ellis, of McComb, Illinois, is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. S. M. Lowrey, of North Main street.

Hay for Sale—Choice barn timothy hay, baled, in ton or car lots. Baker Bros. Tel. Spruce. Butler, Mo. Route 8.

Mrs. William Hubbard is very sick at her home in the north part of town. Mrs. Nellie Allen, a professional nurse from Kansas City, is taking care of her.

Lost — Pocketbook, somewhere between Butler and Virginia. Contained two good rings, one band, one set ring, and watch fob. Jas. Vickers, Amsterdam, Route 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Haggard and little son left the last of the week for Kansas City, where they will make their future home. Mr. Haggard was a rural carrier out of the Butler postoffice and transferred to a place in the Kansas City office.

The many friends of Judge F. M. Steele will regret to learn that he is seriously ill at his home on West Pine street. The Judge has for a long time been afflicted with cancer and of late his condition has grown much worse. His three sons, Bruce of Lamar, Colorado, Earl of Piedmont, Oklahoma, and Emmet, of Parker, Kansas, were called to this city the last of the week.

Senator Baldwin writes The Times from Jefferson City, that owing to the large number of bills being introduced at this session the business is rather slow in getting under way. This district is fortunate in being represented in the state senate by a man of the calibre of Senator Baldwin. He is on the job every minute watching the interests of his constituents.

John B. Davis, aged 56 years, died at his home in this city at 2 o'clock Friday morning, from the results of injuries received in an accident at the Eureka mining plant Tuesday morning. Mr. Davis had lived here for a number of years, was an industrious and highly respected citizen, and his death was a shock to the family and friends. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias lodge.—Rich Hill Review

The Bates County Press Association will hold its next meeting at Adrian Friday afternoon and night, February 26. At the afternoon meeting there will be shop talks by the various members and at night it is planned to have a Dean Williams, of the School of Journalism, at Columbia, present and deliver an address in one of the churches of Adrian to which the public will be invited.

Vernon Nash, who was graduated from the School of Journalism in 1914 and is now attending Oxford University as a Rhodes scholar, will receive a commission as a driver of an American Red Cross motor ambulance in France during his six weeks Christmas vacation. Before going to Oxford he was news editor of the Maryville (Mo.) Democrat-Forum.

Among our exchanges this week we find the Arkansas Thomas Cat, published at Hot Springs and edited by J. Davis Orear, Orear, who was a one time resident of Bates county and worked on most of the papers in Butler, gets out a paper with a punch and he seems to have the courage of his convictions, hopping onto every thing that does not suit him. He is reported to have made a fortune in the years that he has been running the Thomas Cat.

A plan has long been under way to build a first-class road between Butler and Ft. Scott, by way of Foster and Hume. There are three routes each asking to be chosen as the official route between Butler and Foster, the Marvel bridge route, the Island bridge route and the Haymaker bridge route. Last fall there was a big meeting at Foster and at that meeting a committee was selected to pick out the route. So far the committee have made no report. Saturday Wiley Wood and E. L. Thomas were in town boosting for the Haymaker bridge route. Both these gentlemen are hustlers and if their route is not chosen it will not be for the lack of hard work on their part. The Haymaker route was the old mail route between Foster and Butler previous to the building of the Madison branch of the Missouri Pacific railroad.

## HOUSE COMMITTEE TO SCAN CLOSELY DEFICIENCY ITEMS

Rules May be Adopted to Prevent Practice of Spending Money Not Appropriated.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 16.—The Appropriation Committee of the House will make a thorough inquiry of the deficiency accounts of all of the State institutions. According to Gov. Frederick D. Gardner this sum totals about \$1,800,000.

At a conference of the Appropriation Committee a subcommittee, composed of Rich C. Correll, Randolph county; A. D. Bowman, Scott, and J. A. Bradley of Pemiscot, were selected to make this investigation.

The Legislature at each session makes appropriation for a biannual period. If the funds in the State institutions are incurred and deficiency bills are presented at the next General Assembly to pay this indebtedness.

It is hinted that the House may pass drastic rules this winter, which will prevent a recurrence of the introduction of deficiency accounts.

A sweeping order may be sent broadcast that the State will refuse to pay any accounts unless authorized and within the appropriation of any and each State institution.

Few important bills were introduced this morning in the House. The session was brief pending the joint session of the House and Senate this afternoon when the gubernatorial controversy was debated. Harry B. Hawes presented one of his good roads bills, which repeals various sections of the statute in order to comply with the general good roads bill previously introduced in the House.

Representative Chancellor sent a measure to the reading clerk, making it possible for the authorities to make a search for liquor which might be shipped into dry territory.

The third bill thus far introduced in this session to create a textbook commission was read.

Representative Tolson favors licensing laundry agents, and presented a bill requiring the laundry representatives to pay a small annual fee.

The Senate for the first time since the beginning of the present session, got to work today. Five proposed constitutional amendments were introduced and 118 bills ranging from providing bonuses for killing hawks and owls to home rule for St. Louis in police and excise departments and the calling of a constitutional convention.

Contrary to announcement, President Pro Tem, Morton did not have the list of standing committees ready. They will be announced tomorrow.

Senator Carter offered two amendments, one submitting State-wide prohibition at the general election in 1918 and the other providing for a levy of 10 cents on the \$100 valuation for road purposes. The latter provides for an exemption from the proposed tax of all money loaned on farm lands at 5 per cent and less.

In introducing the prohibition resolution Senator Carter said that it was the intention of the advocates of prohibition in Missouri to submit it at the 1918 election through the initiative and referendum in the event of its failure to pass the Assembly.

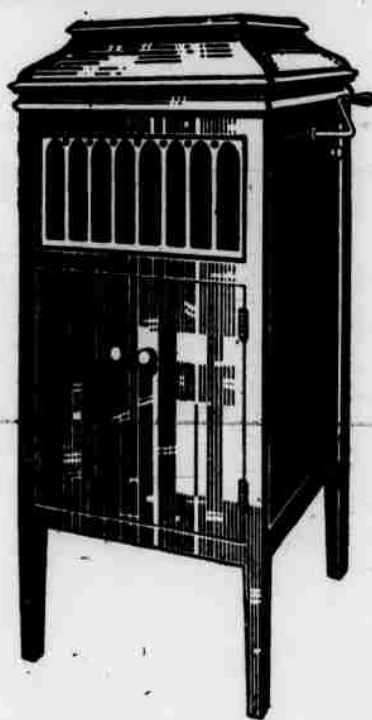
Senator Cook's proposed amendment is designed to relieve the general revenue fund of the State of the support of the public schools and at the same time provide more money each year for distribution among the schools.

It provides for a 10-cent levy for school purposes, which would give the schools approximately \$1,000,000 more than under the present system.

Senator Mitchell's proposed amendment would permit rural school districts by a majority vote to levy a maximum tax of \$1 on the \$100 of assessed valuation for school purposes the same as incorporated cities, towns and villages.

The amendment of Senator Harris empowers county courts when authorized by the voters of any road district, special or otherwise, to levy 75 cents on the \$100 for road purposes.

The Senate bills covered a very wide range of subjects. The second bill that came in, was presented by Senator Baldwin and provides for a closed season of five years for quail. Bill No. 1 was also by Senator Baldwin and provides for the establishment of the Torrens system of land title records in this State.



## The Motor and Speed Regulator

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